

**In the court of Sh. Amit Kumar Garg, Addl.Sessions Judge, Hoshiarpur.
(UID No. PB-0260)**

CIS No.BA/1673/2025
CNR No: PBHO010048902025
Date of Institution: 19.06.2025
Date of order: 27.06.2025

1. Joginder Anand, aged 70 years S/o Babu Ram,
 2. Shukla Anand aged 64 years W/o Joginder Anand
- both resident of 1321/27, Gali Kamboj Old Lakkar Mandi, Amritsar, Punjab.

...Applicant/accused

Versus

State of Punjab

..Respondent

FIR No.182, dated 07.06.2025
Under Section 85 BNS
Police Station: City, District Hoshiarpur.

First anticipatory bail application under Section 482 BNSS

Present: Sh.Naveen Jairath, Advocate for the applicants-accused.
Sh.N.S. Gill, Ld. Addl. PP for the State

ORDER

File put up before me being Duty Judge during summer vacations as per letter bearing Endst.No.11783-90, dated 28.05.2025, passed by the Id. District & Sessions Judge, Hoshiarpur.

2. This order shall dispose of first anticipatory bail application under Section 482 BNSS for the offences committed U/s 85 BNS Police Station: City, District Hoshiarpur.

3. The Id. Counsel for applicant/accused argued that present FIR has been registered on the statement of Jasmine Chaudhary. That applicant/accused are not required for any kind of custodial interrogation as

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nothing is to be recovered from them. That when co-accused Paras Anand again left for abroad, then it was the complainant Jasmine Chaudhary, who accompanied him at the airport. That it was Shukla Anand, who alongwith the complainant came to Hoshiarpur in order to drop the complainant at her parental house. That marriage between the complainant Jasmine Chaudhary and co-accused namely Paras Anand was solemnized on 12.06.2024. After marriage Paras Anand went to Australia and visa of complainant was rejected. It is further argued that the true facts are that the visa of complainant was rejected and due to this reason she became frustrated and in her frustration, she started levelling false allegations of demand of dowry against the applicants. It is further argued that after rejection of her visa, even co-accused Paras Anand had assured her that he will apply for fresh visa after some time, but she was very much frustrated and she got registered a false case against the applicants. That no such occurrence with regard to demand of dowry ever took place, rather the complainant and her family members belongs to very influential family and are having various political links. That the mother of complainant is presently the Deputy Mayor of Municipal Corporation, Hoshiarpur and very senior Aam Aadmi Party leader and by using her influence, they got registered the present false FIR against the applicants. It is further argued that now notice U/s 35(3) of BNSS has been served upon the applicants directing them to join investigation of the present case within 7 days. That they are innocent and nothing is to be recovered from them. It is prayed for grant of pre-arrest bail to the applicants/accused.

4. On the other hand, Ld. Addl. PP for the State opposed the bail application on the ground that accused/applicants have committed serious offence as they ruined the life of complainant and demanded huge amount in marriage as they asked to arrange feast for 700 Baraties in a Marriage Palace on an expenses of Rs.2,000/- to Rs.2500/- per plate. He further argued that the accused/applicants does not deserve the concession of pre-arrest bail. Hence, their bail application may kindly be dismissed.

5. I have heard the learned counsel for the applicant/accused and learned Addl. PP for the State and perused the record on the case file carefully.

6. Perusal of the police record reveals that present FIR was registered on the statement of complainant Jasmine Chaudhary to the effect that her marriage with Paras Anand was solemnized on 10.06.2024 as per Hindu rites. That Paras Anand is a permanent resident of Australia and working in Inforcis Company and their marriage was registered on 12.06.2024 in the office of Sub Registrar, Hoshiarpur. This wedding was done in a very simple manner and only about 20 people from both the parties attended this wedding. That her in-laws told her that they want to do this wedding in a simple manner because they have to apply for a partner visa for Jasmine Chaudhary and after getting the visa, they will perform the wedding rituals again with great pomp when Paras Anand returns to India from Australia for the second time. That till now, no dowry or gold ornaments etc. had been offered by any of the parties. That thereafter, as per the agreement of both the parties, the complainant remained with her mother and her

husband Paras Anand had gone back to Australia on 16/06/2024 and when Paras Anand went to the airport from India, at that time, complainant and her brother Vikrant Chaudhary had gone to drop him off at the airport. After dropping him off at the airport, she and her brother had returned to their house, House No. B-20/128, Street No. 6, New Civil Lines, Thana City, Hoshiarpur. That their marriage was fixed through a matrimony newspaper. That after marriage Paras Anand used to talk to her on the phone. That in July 2024 Paras started telling her that now he will apply for her visitor visa, but he has no money at the moment, so she has to give Rs.1,00,000/- by transfer to their joint account and accordingly, she transferred Rs.1.00 lac in their joint account No.630510110010457. That Paras Anand applied for visitor visa which was rejected. After this, the behavior of Paras Anand with her and her family became very bad and he started fighting with her over small things and started abusing her and her family members. It is further argued that on 20/12/2024 Paras Anand returned to India and complainant along with her mother and brother went to the airport to pick him up, from where complainant and her husband Paras Anand went to his house, House No.: 32027, Gali Kamboj, Old Lakdar Bazaar, Amritsar and her mother and brother returned to their house. That on 20/12/2024 on reaching home, Paras Anand started forcing her to have physical relations with him, but she told him that their **marriage rituals are incomplete, due to which they should maintain a distance between them but Paras Anand did not listen and made physical relations with her forcibly against her wishes.** That on 23/12/2024, Paras Anand took her and her mother-in-law and sister-in-law to Jaipur,

Rajasthan, where her brother-in-law and sister-in-law are living. On 26/12/2024, the complainant and Paras Anand went for a walk from Jaipur to Udaipur, where Paras Anand abused her and tortured her from time to time and started telling her that he did not want to come to India from Australia and he has to come unwillingly because of her. After this, Paras Anand took her and her parents back to his house in Amritsar on 01/01/2025. That on the night of 02/01/2025, Paras Anand came home in a drunkard condition and started forcing her to have physical relations with him. When she refused, he abused her and started beating her and forced her to have physical relations with him. That after behaving like an animal with her, her husband Paras fell unconscious on his bed. That after the said incident, Paras Anand was repeatedly receiving mobile messages from someone and when she checked his phone, she came to know that Paras Anand was having an affair with a woman named Dipansi Bhatia and she also came from their Chat that Dipansi Bhatia was pregnant from him and Paras Anand had got her abortion. She also came to know from his mobile that Paras Anand was having chatting with many other girls and out of that girls, a girl was Radhika Arora whose mobile number are 94642253365 and 7003816915. It is further alleged that thereafter, complainant talked to her mother-in-law, brother-in-law, sister-in-law etc. in this regard and sent their chats on their phones, on which they got angry at her and started telling her that these days all this is a fashion, you should keep quiet and mind your own business, so **that your house can be settled and they also told her that they have already know all these things and they used to come and visit our son Paras.** The

complainant also gave all the information about this to her parents and brother, on which they came to her father-in-law's house in Amritsar on the same day where all of them admitted their mistake and apologized and assured her and her parents and brother that nothing like this will happen in future and they said that now they have to get their permanent marriage and now they should make all the preparations for the wedding as per the rituals. After this, her parents and brother went back. It is further alleged that thereafter, Paras Anand, father-in-law Joginder Anand, mother-in-law Shukla Anand, maternal uncle Sapna wife Gagan, maternal uncle Varkha wife Kapil and Kapil held a meeting in Amritsar and after consulting, called her and said that to tell her parents that the marriage should now be done according to their status and said that the complainant should inform her parents that the best marriage palace in Hoshiarpur should be arranged and they will bring more than 700 people. Paras Anand said that a plate of catering should be between 2000-2500. Her mother-in-law Shukla Anand told her that the dowry should include all the goods and that the complainant should get a gold kitty set and a heavy gold ring and a gold bracelet should be given to his sister-in-law. Paras Anand demanded a gold chain, bracelet, and diamond ring. Her mother-in-law Shukla Anand also said that all their relatives should be given some heavy gold jewelry in the marriage. All of them told her that only after their above demands are fulfilled, she will be considered as their daughter-in-law and her Australian visa will be granted. Thereafter, complainant told her parents about this, to which they told her that she should wait for a few more days, but all in vain. Paras Anand used to beat

her every day under the influence of intoxication and at night he used to choke her neck while saying that this is her fate. Due to all this torture from them, her health started deteriorating, due to which she begged them to leave her at her mother's house for a few days and on this, on 19/02/2025, Paras Anand and mother-in-law Shukla Anand came to leave her at her mother's house at Hoshiarpur. That in front of her parents and brother, Paras Anand and mother-in-law Shukla Anand reiterated their dowry demand and they said that in addition to this, they should be given Rs.50.00 lac separately and told her mother that there is a parking space at Singhania Hospital near her Amritsar house, that place should be leased to her by exerting political pressure on the owners. It is further alleged that on 05/03/2025, Paras Anand had a return flight to Australia, due to which complainant went to Amritsar again on 04/03/2025 to save her marital relationship with her in-laws. In the morning on 05/03/2025, she went to drop her husband Paras Anand at the airport in Amritsar and after that on 05/03/2025, she was dropped off at her mother's house at Hoshiarpur by her mother-in-law Shukla Anand and another relative. During this time, her mother-in-law Shukla Anand repeated all her demands in front of her parents and her at their house and then said that only if all their demands are fulfilled, the complainant will be able to go to Australia with her husband Paras Anand. That as soon as Paras Anand reached Australia, Paras Anand and all his in-laws blocked her on the phone and severed all ties with her and her family. That her parents and she herself tried to contact all the above accused persons to talk to them, but all the

accused persons clearly refused to rehabilitate her. It is prayed for taking legal action against all the accused persons.

7. Now, this court is of the view that in the present case, the allegations are not normal with regard to harassment of a woman at the hands of accused/applicants with regard to demand of dowry, rather if we carefully go through the contents of the application, then as per complaint moved by the complainant Jasmine Chaudhary her marriage was solemnized with accused Paras Anand on 10.6.2024 and it was registered on 12.06.2024 and as a matter of fact the husband of complainant went back to Australia on 16.06.2024 and he asked for Rs.1.00 lac for applying the visitor visa in July, 2024 which was applied and cancelled on 14.08.2024 and accused started harassing her and in the month of December, 2024, he returned to India and compelled her to have physical relations with him, upon which complainant told him that the ceremonies of their marriage are incomplete and it is yet to be performed and they have to maintain space in their relations, but he maintained physical relations despite her objection and thereafter he started torturing her and she also found Whats-app chat of her husband with another woman. As per para No.5 of the complaint, the applicants/accused asked the complainant to arrange for 700 people and the cost per plate should be minimum Rs.2000/- to Rs.2500/- per plate, so that their image should be saved in the eyes of their relatives.

8. So, from the facts and circumstances, it is prima facie established that the applicants/accused were instrumental in getting their son married without actual performing ceremonies of a valid marriage as

required under Hindu law and their ceremonies were yet to be performed and it appears that all these have been done just for the purpose of taking the girl to the foreign country on spouse grounds. If we see the statement of Paras Anand recorded with DSP, then he also stated that the complainant was willing to go abroad and he was also willing to take her abroad and due to which both the parties had not performed the necessary ceremonies as per the Hindu law. Similar is the statement of Joginder Anand, applicant/accused father of Paras Anand. So, this court is of the view that the applicants/accused in connivance with each other committed serious offence while conspiring and performing the marriage of their son with complainant Jasmine Chaudhary without actually performing the necessary ceremonies as required under Hindu law for a valid marriage. So, these types of arrangements for whatever reason in society is required to be curbed, so that innocent lives may not be at risk of such situation in future and there should not be mockery of institution of marriage which is being used only for the purpose of going abroad and it appears that there was also an attempt to cheat the public authorities before whom the marriage was registered and the visa was applied on spouse ground without actually performing valid marriage ceremonies as per hindu law as there is not a single proof of marriage on file except the oral statements and subsequent registration of marriage on 12.06.2024. So, these types of practices cannot be endorsed by taking the facts lightly. So, this court is of the view that the applicants/accused does not deserve the concession of pre-arrest bail as investigation is at initial stage and the investigating agency is expected to

investigate the matter from all angles as discussed. Accordingly, the bail application is dismissed.

9. However, these observations are only for the purpose of deciding the bail application and it shall not affect the merits of the case.

10. File be sent to the court of Id.Sessions Judge, Hoshiarpur, for its entrustment so that the file may be consigned to the record room by that court to which court it will be entrusted.

Announced in open court:
Dated 27.06.2025
Rakesh Kumar, Steno

(Amit Kumar Garg)
(D) Addl.Sessions Judge,
Hoshiarpur(UID-PB0260)